estimated to cost more than Rs. 10 crores and to benefit nearly 98,000 acres. The additional food production expected by the execution of these is of the order of 36,000 tons.

" Sir, all these have been possible with the assistance given by the Government of India financially and in other ways. With the continued assistance of the Government of India we can expect that the Madras Government would be able to go a long way in extending irrigation to enable the ryots to secure better yields and a better standard of life. The co-operation and enthusiasm of the people of the State in fostering irrigation development have contributed in no small measure to our achievement in the field.

" I am confident that the hon. Members will bear in mind the entire back ground I have stated while speaking on the cut motions and will assist the Government with their valuable suggestions in implementing the policy and programme outlined.

IV.—SWEARING IN OF A NEW MEMBER.

Sri Krishnaswami Gopalar was sworn-in.

III.—VOTING ON DEMANDS FOR GRANTS FOR THE YEAR 1955-56—*cont.*

(1) DEMAND VII—IRRIGATION.

(2) DEMAND XXXV—CAPITAL OUTLAY ON IRRIGATION—*cont*

MR. SPEAKER :—" I allot three hours for the discussion of this Demand and I fix ten minutes for each member who wants to speak on it. If I allow half hour for the Hon. the Minister to
9-40 a.m. reply, will that be all right? "

* THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" I want to make a statement on the Lower Bhavani Project which I have already promised. I need 45 minutes."

MR. SPEAKER :—" All right."

SRI M. KALYANASUNDARAM :—" If we allot three hours for this Demand, then it means we have already taken twenty minutes. In that case, let us sit for half hour more."

MR. SPEAKER :—" I have no objection. We will sit till two of the clock."

* SRI P. B. K. RAJACHIDAMBARAM :—" I rise on a point of information, Sir. The hon. Minister has said in the course of his statement that the Government are going to take up ten new works under the Second Five-Year Plan. If he can give the names of those works, it will be very useful for the discussion.

* THE HON. SRI R. SHANMUGA RAJESWARA SETHUPATHI :—" The Central Government have not yet approved the schemes and the whole matter is under consideration. Therefore how can I give the names? Besides, I have not got a list of those works with me."